a. Event: 100th Anniversary of International Women's Day (IWD)

Date/Time: Tuesday, March 8, 5-7:30 p.m.

Location: All Saints Episcopal Church, 106 W. Church Street, Frederick, MD

Details: The Women of Hope Project (WOHP) is partnering with Hood College, Rotary Club of Carroll Creek and The Ausherman Family Foundation to bring Frederick's First International Women's Day Celebration. The Mission is to Free families in Afghanistan from poverty and oppression - provide a hand-up, not a hand-out by helping women build businesses and become self-sustaining. As a result, vocational training is now offered to men, and hundreds of children have returned to school.

The evening will include a showing of <u>The Glow Project Movie</u>, an inspiring movie showcasing a dynamic group of influential women who have risen from despair. The film has been heralded around the world as "required viewing for every woman on the planet" and is strongly endorsed and praised by top women's associations nationwide.

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b. **Event:** Panel Discussion Entitled "Afghan Women: Survival, Rebuilding, Resistance." **Date/Time:** Thursday, March 10, 7 p.m.

Location: Hood College, Whitaker Campus Commons, 1st floor, 401 Rosemont

Avenue, Frederick, MD

Details: In celebration of International Women's Day (3/8) and Women's History Month, Hood College is holding a Social Visionary Speaker series panel discussion entitled "Afghan Women: Survival, Rebuilding, Resistance." Efforts to empower women in Afghanistan will be the focus of a panel presentation. Speakers will be Fahima Vorgetts, director of the Afghan Women's Fund; Alicia Lucksted, Ph.D., clinical-community psychologist and assistant professor of psychiatry on the research faculty at the University of Maryland School of Medicine; and Katherine Conway-Turner, Ph.D., vice president for academic affairs and provost at Hood comprise the panel, entitled

Proceeds from the sale of Afghan jewelry and handicrafts, available for purchase throughout the day in the Whitaker Campus Center, will benefit the Afghan Women's Fund, sponsored by Women for Afghan Women, a grassroots civil society organization dedicated to securing and protecting the rights of disenfranchised Afghan women and girls.

A free reception will follow the presentation. This event is open to the public.

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c. Event: "Op to Pop VIII"

Date/Time: Sunday, March 27, 3 p.m.

Location: FCC's Jack B. Kussmaul Theater, F Building, 7932 Opossumtown Pike,

Frederick, MD

Details: The community is invited to "Op to Pop VIII," the annual concert to benefit the Anne-Lynn Gross Breast Cancer Resource Center at the Frederick Community College Women's Center.

The afternoon will include musical selections from familiar favorites to opera classics featuring performances by Anne-Lynn Gross, Angela Lorenzo and Terry Sparks, sopranos; Robert E. Kimball Jr., tenor; Jennifer Houck, violinist; Astrid Sapp, harpist; John Wickelgren, pianist; and the Howard Burns Jazz Trio. Pianists Alison E. Shafer and Gary Schwartz will provide accompaniment.

Tickets will be available at the JBK Theater box office the afternoon of the performance: \$10 for adults; \$8 for students, FCC employees, and senior citizens. For more information, call 301.846.2483.

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